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FOILED THEIR PLOT.

The Way Mme. Alboni Frustrated a
Scheme to Hiss Her.

"Once upon a time, when Mme. Al-
boni was at Trieste," writes Henry C.
Lahee in "Famous Singers of Today,"
"she was informed of the existence of
a plot to hiss her off the stage. Hav-
ing ascertained the names of her de-
tractors and where they were to be
found, she donned male attire, to
which her short hair and robust fig-
ure helped to complete her disguise,
and went to the cafe at which the
conspirators met. Here she found
them in full consultation, and, taking
a seat at a table, she listened to their
conversation for a time. After awhile
she addressed the leader, saying: 'I
hear that you intend to play a trick
upon some one. I am very fond of a
little practical joke myself and should
be glad if you would allow me to join
you on this occasion.'

"With pleasure," was the reply. 'We
intend to hiss an opera singer off the
stage this evening.'

"Indeed! And of what is she
guilty?"

"Oh, nothing, except that, being an
Italian, she has sung in Munich and
Vienna to German audiences, and we
think she ought to receive some casti-
gation for her unpatriotic conduct."

"I agree with you, and now please
tell me what I am to do."

"Take this whistle," said the leader.
'At a signal to be given at the conclu-
sion of the air sung by Rosina the
noise will begin, and you will have to
join in.'

"I shall be very glad to do so," said
the singer and put the whistle in her
pocket.

"In the evening the house was pack-
ed—every seat was occupied—and the
audience warmly applauded the open-
ing numbers of the opera. In due
course Mme. Alboni appeared, and at
the point at which she was about to
address her tutor a few of the con-
spirators began to make a disturbance,
not waiting for the signal.

"Without showing any concern Mme.
Alboni walked down to the footlights,
and, holding up the whistle, which
was hung to her neck by a ribbon, she
exclaimed: 'Gentlemen, are you not a
little before your time? I thought we
were not to commence whistling until
I had sung the air.'

"For a moment a deathly stillness
prevailed; then suddenly the house
broke into thunders of applause, which
was led by the conspirators them-
selves."

A GRATEFUL PATIENT.

The Coin That Was Measured by a
Famous Surgeon.

Dr. Grenfell, an old London hospital
pupil, in a sketch of Sir Frederick
Treves in the Pall Mall Gazette tells
the story of a tiny sovereign gold
piece given by a grateful patient to
the famous surgeon, and guarded by
him as a priceless treasure. A sailor
from Norway had been operated on by
Sir Frederick in hospital. His life had
been saved, and he had gone his way.
Late one evening a timid knock
brought Sir Frederick himself at that
unusual hour to his door in Wimpole
street. A tall, gaunt sailor in thread-
bare attire asked if this was where
"Mr. Treves lives." At his earnest re-
quest, though somewhat under protest,
he was allowed to enter. He at once
proceeded to get out a jackknife, and
from the lining of the belt of his trou-
sers he cut out a small gold piece and
offered it to Sir Frederick. On his re-
fusal to accept it the man was so hurt
that Sir Frederick listened to his story,
and an interesting one it was.

The man had on leaving hospital
sought a berth at the London docks,
but, being a stranger, had been unable
to get one. He had got out of money
and had gone hungry day after day,
though he knew that he had sewed up
in his waistband by his wife in Nor-
way the piece of gold in question. He
had got so pulled down by bad living
that he at last decided he must spend
the money, but that very day he suc-
ceeded in getting a berth on a ship,
and his advance had given the food he
stood so sorely in need of. He had
promptly tramped all the way to Wim-
pole street, and his bearing was such
that Sir Frederick found himself
"bowing into the darkness, holding the
gold piece in his hand and with an
overwhelming sense of inferiority
strongly impressed on his mind."

A Modest Art Student.

An art student in Berlin wrote to a
brewing concern in Bohemia offering
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and who fears to look my landlady in
the face, not do the same? Stay! I
shall do better. Am willing to take
less than 40,000 marks for my best
work."

Slow and Sure.

"How is my son getting along?"
asked a parent of the headmaster of a
school.

"He's slow and sure," was the re-
sponse.

"That's satisfactory!"

"Not so," rejoined the master. "By
it I mean that he is slow to learn and
sure to forget."—London Telegraph.

The Practical One.

"All writers are not impractical," are
they?"

"Oh, no! One man will write a joke
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